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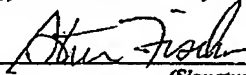
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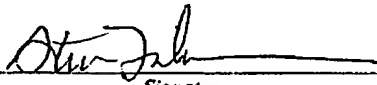
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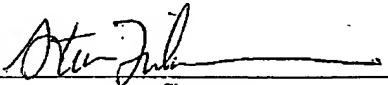
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 9, 2006, applicants respectfully request that the following amendments and remarks be entered into the record of the above-identified patent application.

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